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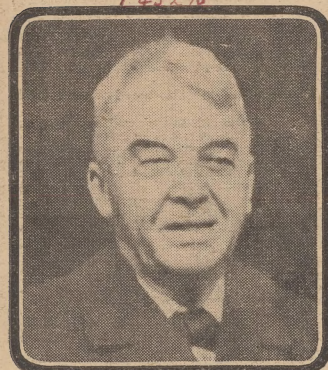
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THE BALFOUR-CHURCHILL DUEL IN THE HOUSE: THE FOUR MEN
WHOSE NAMES ARE ON EVERYONE'S LIPS TO-DAY.



Lord Fisher, who left the House when his name was mentioned.



Mr. Balfour and Colonel (then Mr.) Churchill "snapped" outside the Admiralty.



Admiral Meux, who disagreed with Colonel Churchill.—(Swaine.)

Fresh from the trenches, Lieutenant-Colonel Churchill sprang a surprise on the House during the debate on the Navy Estimates by demanding the recall as First Sea Lord of Lord Fisher, whom he had attacked in his last speech in the Commons. Admiral Sir

Hedworth Meux, in a maiden speech, opposed Colonel Churchill's suggestion. Mr. Balfour replied yesterday. If he had been Lord Fisher he should have regarded Mr. Churchill's apology as the deepest insult that could be offered, he said.

THE GERMANS GETTING SHORT OF HOSPITALS.



There are so many German wounded that the authorities find it difficult to provide accommodation for them, and in this case a factory on the western front has been converted into a hospital. Pulley wheels and belts can be seen.

YOUTHFUL NAVAL HERO DECORATED.



Midshipman Woolley, who was decorated with the Distinguished Service Cross by the King yesterday, arriving at Buckingham Palace. About forty naval and military officers and several nurses were also received by his Majesty.

MR. BALFOUR ACCUSES COLONEL CHURCHILL OF WEAKENING FLEET

TERRIBLE TALE OF A BLACK EYE!

Kaiser's Government on German Boy's School Adventure.

PHANTOM MURDER.

The very dreadful case of a German boy whose eye was blackened by another child at school is included in a communication received by the British Government from the German Government covering twenty-six affidavits relating to the treatment of German women and children in England since the outbreak of war. These affidavits, says a Foreign Office statement issued last night, are by German subjects who have returned from England to Germany, and whose evidence has been collected by the German authorities.

The twenty-six cases produced by the German Government," says the statement, "turn out upon investigation to afford no basis for the wholesale fabrications which have been founded upon them."

DIDN'T WANT TO GO HOME,

More convincing, says the Foreign Office, than any detailed examination of the particular instances brought forward by the German Government are the broad facts—first, that although some German men, women and children have returned to Germany and Austria, the actual cases of alleged ill-treatment deposed to are no more than twenty-six in number; and, second, that only a few German men, women and children over military age, and women, applied to the Home Secretary in May, June and July, 1915, to be allowed to remain in the United Kingdom.

Over 15,200 cases these requests, after careful examination of the circumstances, were granted, and those whose requests were refused departed in many instances only with the greatest reluctance and after repeated entreaties to the British authorities not to be obliged to return from British to German surroundings.

LUSITANIA DAYS.

After the sinking of the Lusitania, says the statement, there was (and the British Government has never sought to deny it) a spontaneous outburst of popular feeling which, especially in the working-class quarters of London and Liverpool, led to regrettable manifestations.

No German man, woman or child was seriously injured.

Among the "cases" prior to the sinking of the Lusitania about which the Germans complained is that of a German boy at school who was once hit by one of the other children and came home with a black eye.

An event of this kind—one which occurs at every school in times of peace—is too trivial for serious answer.

A case, specially insisted upon by the German Government, is one where a woman named Anna Mücke has made an affidavit complaining that she and her husband were detained in prison for three months and treated like criminals.

The facts are that this woman and her husband were criminals, who were sentenced at Lambeth Police Court on October 28, 1914, to three months' hard labour for keeping a disorderly house and were expelled from the country at the end of their sentence as undesirable.

The third case is that of a well-dressed German man, aged between twenty-five and thirty, who is said to have been trampled to death in Piccadilly by a crowd.

The woman who invented this imaginary incident has been described as a disorderly woman and vendor of questionable literature, who left her bookshop without paying her rent before the outbreak of war.

WOMAN'S OPPORTUNITY.

The Land Is in Great Need of Her "Brain and Her Insight."

"The land wanted woman's brain and woman's insight," said Miss M. A. Broadhurst, M.A., in her address yesterday to a largely attended meeting held under the auspices of the National Land Council at Kensington Town Hall, over which the Mayor of Kensington presided.

"If England did not develop agriculture," she added, "its industry, which were its fundamental basis, would suffer."

"The council had trained a large number of women, who are now doing efficient work on the land, and these were training others. These workers were contributing war service in the best sense."

The Mayor of Kensington said that when he was in France he was struck by the splendid work the women were doing right up to the fighting line.

It was a wonderful object lesson which taught us that we should get our fields filled with women in the place of those men who had gone to the firing line.

The Hon. Lady Parsons said the time was coming when women would be occupying the driving seat of agricultural implements, guiding the horse and managing the levers with skill and intelligence.

"Delay in Completion of Capital Ships Caused by Use of Guns and Mountings for Monitors."

LORD FISHER NOT TO BE RECALLED.

Colonel Winston Churchill was last night subjected to the most withering criticism of his parliamentary career.

It came from Mr. Balfour, the First Lord of the Admiralty, who denounced in scathing terms his predecessor's speech, urging the recall of Lord Fisher as First Sea Lord.

Colonel Churchill and his Board, said Mr. Balfour, in building monitors, had used guns and mountings for them which had been designed for capital ships.

The taking of these, he said, might have been right or it might have been wrong, but it deliberately prevented the strengthening of the Grand Fleet.

MR. BALFOUR'S THRUSTS.

The chief points of Mr. Balfour's speech were:—

Mr. Churchill's speech is unfortunate in form and substance.

The Grand Fleet is more powerful than when Churchill left office, and as months go on it will be more powerful still.

The deliberate desire to suggest doubts, fears and alarms among the public, which could not intimately know the facts, is acting contrary to the public interest.

The cause of delay in completing Dreadnoughts is due to the construction of monitors and the fact that the guns and gun-mountings designed for capital ships were used for them.

It does not, therefore, lie in the mouth of those who had weakened the Grand Fleet by creating these monitors to say to their colleagues the late Board arrogated to itself, might sometimes be pushed to an undue extreme.

Certain ships, built in a hurry, have proved faulty in design and had had to be remodelled.

The House listened to Colonel Churchill's suggestion for the recall of Lord Fisher with profound stupefaction.

There has been no slackness in pressing on with the construction of ships for naval purposes.

"I should regard myself as contemptible beyond the power of expression," declared Mr. Balfour, "if I yielded to the demand made in such a way as that made by Colonel Churchill (the demand for Lord Fisher's return)."

"TREASON IF TRUE."

The finest part of Mr. Balfour's invective came at the close. This was on the subject of Lord Fisher's suggested return to the Admiralty.

"My right hon. friend has often astonished the House, but I do not think he ever astonished so much as when he came down and explained that the remedy for all our ills so far as the Navy is concerned is to get rid of Sir Henry Jackson and put Lord Fisher in his place."

"My right hon. friend has never made the smallest concealment, either in public or in private, of what he thought of Lord Fisher."

"Certainly the impression we all had of what he thought of Lord Fisher was singularly unlike the picture that we should have drawn ourselves, uninspired as to the character of a saviour of his country."

"He told us that Lord Fisher did not give him, when he was serving at the Admiralty with him, either clear guidance before the event or the firm support after it which he was entitled to expect."

"I said, that hon. friend, with the memory of that speech in his mind, had naturally to frame some explanation of the advice which suggested that Sir Henry Jackson should be relieved of his office in order to put in his place a most brilliant and distinguished sailor, who had the defect of not giving his chief either clear guidance or firm support."

"THE DEEPEST INSULT."

"All he said was that since then he had gone to the front and that in the opportunity for calm meditation which apparently the front presents—(roars of laughter)—had altered his view."

"And what was the result of his meditations? He told us that he and Lord Fisher parted on a great enterprise upon which the Government had decided and in which the fortunes of a struggling and ill-supported Army were already involved, and that he should therefore have resisted the pressure towards the return of Lord Fisher to the Admiralty."

"That means that when these two men were taking part in the difficult enterprise of the Gallipoli Peninsula and when the fortunes of the sister service were involved that then, such was his opinion of Lord Fisher, he could not count on his support."

I do not know what Lord Fisher thought about this history. I know that any friend of mine had made it about me I should have re-

garded it as the deepest insult that could be offered me.

"If it were true it is almost high treason. I do not believe for a moment that it is true."

NO CAUSE FOR ALARM.

Colonel Churchill stepped to the table, clenched the box with both hands and leaned forward.

Colonel Churchill admitted there was no reason to suppose that our margin of strength at the present time was not sufficient; and there was no cause at the present time for alarm. "But I have tried to bring the House and the country to a feeling that the greatest efforts must be made to carry the programme forward with the highest speed."

It is right that a note of warning should be sounded and sounded in time.

"So far from having gone beyond what the facts of the situation justified, I have been restrained only with the strictest regard to secrecy and the public interest from making my statement in a stronger form, and this is perfectly well known to those who sit on the Treasury Bench."

The real fact is that if the Admiralty could associate the driving power of Lord Fisher with the carrying out of Lord Fisher's programme, great public advantage would result."

STATE BAWLING THE ODDS

The Government escaped defeat in the House of Commons last night by a majority of twenty-four on a matter of horseracing.

A division was unexpectedly challenged on the vote of £50,000 for the purchase of Colonel Hall Walker's stud farms for Army purposes.

The division, following an amusing debate on the Government as trainers and owners of race-horses, was taken amid a great deal of excitement, and the announcement of the figures was received with laughter and cheers. The figures were:—

| | |
|--------------------|----|
| For the vote | 44 |
| Against | 20 |

Government majority

"I do not object to horse-racing," said Mr. George Greenwood, "but the whole thing is spoilt by a lot of hoarse-voiced bandits bawling out the odds."

"What has become of the Nonconformist conscience?" wept Mr. Whitehouse.

"Nonconformists who support the Government in this matter are becoming partners—passive partners, but partners nevertheless—with those bottle-nosed ruffians who call odds upon racecourses," he said.

MARRIED MEN UP TO 35.

Eight New Derby Groups To Be Called on April 17.

The married men included in Groups 33 to 41, whose ages range from twenty-seven to thirty-five inclusive, it is understood, will be called up on or about Monday, April 17.

Proclamations to this effect will be issued early next week.

Attested married men at Leicester last night passed resolutions claiming the release from attestation under the Derby scheme, as the promise of calling up single men first had not been carried out, and calling on the Government to suspend the mobilisation of married men for twenty-eight days and issue a plain statement in the meantime.

Similar resolutions were passed at largely-attended meetings at Cardiff and Portsmouth. Exemption for three months was granted yesterday by the East Ashford (Kent) Tribunal to a hairdresser, named Kentstep, of Wye, who said he was the only barber in the town, and attended 300 to 400 soldiers.

The owner of a large Wold farm, appealing on behalf of his son, aged twenty, said he had never read or seen anything about the war, nor had his wife or son. He just knew a war was on.

He had neglected all the preliminary measures, and the tribunal refused leave to appeal. After a Zeppelin raid in a northern area a young man, who had lodged an appeal against military service as a conscientious objector, yesterday went to the recruiting office and asked leave to withdraw his appeal.

750,990 MILES CAPTURED.

Mr. Bonar Law, in parliamentary papers, gives the following details as to the area of the conquered German colonies:—

| | Square Miles. |
|--|---------------|
| South-West Africa | 324,550 |
| Camerouns | 300,000 |
| Togoland | 33,700 |
| Samoa | 680 |
| Upolu | 340 |
| Kaiser Wilhelm Land and Pacific Islands | 70,000 |
| Bismarck Archipelago | 22,640 |
| Caroline, Pelew, Marianne and Marshall Islands | 1,000 |
| Kiau-chau | 200 |

CHILDREN'S CHANCE TO HELP US WIN.

Sir Robert Blair's Booklet of 'Don'ts' and 'Do's.'

HIS BREAD SUM.

How can children help to save and win the war?

Sir Robert Blair, the distinguished education officer of the London County Council, has issued a little booklet of "Don'ts" and "Do's," which is to help parents and teachers in economy talks to children. And grown-ups, too, can pay heed to this sage advice. Here are some of Sir Robert Blair's "Don'ts" and "Do's."

Don't go to picture palaces.

Don't throw away empty bottles or jam pots, but give or sell them to people who will use them.

Be careful not to waste bread or other kinds of food.

Do take the trouble to cook well, so as to make the food taste nice and go further.

Do be careful of your clothes, and mend them instead of buying new ones.

Do be careful of things at school—like paper, pencils, and even ink.

"These are just a few suggestions of the sort of things which you might save," says Sir Robert Blair, "but you will be able to think of many more."

Thirty thousand of the booklets, *The Daily Mirror* understands, are being distributed among the London County Council schools this week, but a copy should be in every home and in the hands of every teacher in the country.

Sir Robert Blair suggests that pupils should be asked to come to school with a list of things which they think they could do without and of ways in which they could avoid waste.

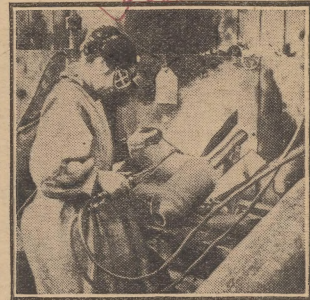
"As to our little bits of saving being worth troubling about," says Sir Robert Blair, "we can easily get rid of this difficulty by doing a little sum in arithmetic."

"There are, roughly speaking, forty-five millions of us, so that a very little saving by each of us comes to a fairly big sum. If we each save a penny, that is £487,500."

"Here is a sum for you to do. If each of the forty-five millions of us wastes a piece of bread three inches square by half an inch thick, how big a bit of bread does that make altogether?"

AERIAL TORPEDOES.

From time to time the French War Office, which has organised an excellent photographic service, shows us how the women are doing their full share of war work. In this case parts of an aerial torpedo are seen being welded together. It is work that is not entirely without risk, and the woman's eyes, it will be seen, are protected.



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PREMIERS MEET.

The Hon. W. M. Hughes, Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia, yesterday called upon Mr. Asquith and Mr. Bonar Law.

With the Prime Minister Mr. Hughes conversed upon matters in general, but the chief topic of conversation with Mr. Bonar Law was the question of providing freights to England for the Australian wheat crop.

Mr. Bonar Law will preside at a complimentary luncheon to be given to-day at the House of Commons under the auspices of the Empire Parliamentary Association to Mr. Hughes.

\$20,000-A-YEAR MUNITION WORKER.

Mr. G. N. Barnes, M.P., has just related that on the occasion of a recent visit to munition factories in Scotland a woman worker was pointed out to him who was said to have an income of about £20,000 a year.

"There she was," said Mr. Barnes, "standing alongside a machine ten or twelve hours a day, while others who were making shells were daughters of mill-owners."

Read "Our Watch Upon the Coast," by Max Pemberton, on page 5.

IS VON TIRPITZ ON THE EVE OF SEEKING BATTLE IN THE NORTH SEA?

Dutch Story of German Fleet Going Westward.

"FIFTY WARSHIPS."

Germans Claim Push of Two Miles in Meuse Battle.

124 BOMBS ON METZ.

TIRPITZ'S EYES ON TRIDENT?

Is Von Tirpitz going to challenge our sea supremacy? Are the Germans really going to seek a battle in the North Sea?

These are questions everybody has been asking, especially since the publication of the Amsterdam story that twenty-five German warships had been seen cruising in the North Sea.

These speculations will be further enlivened by yesterday's Amsterdam message saying that on Monday fifty German warships were seen off Terschelling, all proceeding westwards.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

Yesterday's Paris bulletins report several French successes.

To the west of the Meuse the Germans were driven out of the greater part of the Crows' Wood, while in Upper Alsace our Allies regained some trenches lost on February 12 to the east of Seppois.

A brilliant air raid, in which 124 bombs were dropped, has been carried out on the Metz-Sablons Station by French airmen.

After violent fighting in the region of Douaumont the Germans succeeded in re-occupying Hardaumont Redoubt.

The French have also recaptured trenches in Champagne.

BERLIN'S VERSION.

The Berlin version of the fighting west of the Meuse, about which the Germans had previously said little, asserts that the French positions on the left bank of the Meuse, on both sides of the Forges Brook below Bethincourt, were stormed over a width of nearly four miles and a depth of two miles.

The Germans claim taking prisoner fifty-eight officers and 3,277 men.

VALUABLE CARGOES IN SEIZED FOE SHIPS.

German State War Will Be Declared on Portugal on Saturday.

LOURENÇO MARQUES, March 7.—The Government on Saturday took over four German ships lying here—namely, Admiral, Essen, Kronprinz and Hof.—Reuter.

JOHANNESBURG, March 7.—The seized steamers at Delagoa Bay, the Admiral, 8,355 tons; Kronprinz, 5,688, and Khalil, 5,305, of the German East Africa Line; the Essen, 5,878, and Hof, 4,705, of the German Australia Line; the Linda Woomann, 1,377, of the Woomann Line, and Zieten, 8,002, of the Norddeutscher Lloyd, which have all been seeking refuge at Delagoa Bay since the end of July, 1914, are expected to be taken to Durban or Capetown and made serviceable.

They have all got valuable cargoes, the Essen's being valued at £250,000.—Exchange.

ZURICH, March 8.—The Munich Nachrichten states definitely that no ultimatum has yet been presented to Portugal.

A Frankfurt report declares that unless the ships are released the Portuguese Minister will receive his passports on Saturday at noon.

AMSTERDAM, March 7.—In Berlin it is considered that Germany's declaration of war on Portugal is only a matter of days.—Exchange.

TRENCH MORTARS BUSY.

(BRITISH OFFICIAL.)

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, March 8, 9.17 p.m.—Last night the enemy sprang a mine near the Ypres-Comines railway, doing no damage.

Our artillery bombarded the vicinity to-day. To-day by exploding a small mine east of Laventie we interrupted the enemy's mining.

Near Grœny there has been fighting with trench mortars, during which we did considerable damage to the enemy's defences.

The enemy shelled our positions in the crater east of Vermelles. Elsewhere nothing to report.

ARMADA THAT WAS SEEN BY DUTCH TRAWLERS.

Battleships, Destroyers, U Boats and Zeppelins Going Westward.

AMSTERDAM, March 8.—A telegram from Ymuiden states that late last night a steam trawler entering the port reported having sighted off Terschelling on Monday afternoon a fleet consisting of at least fifty large German warships, followed by a large fleet of armed trawlers painted grey, two big Zeppelins and numerous submarines, all proceeding westwards.

On Monday morning five large cruisers of unknown nationality passed Ymuiden at full speed.

It is conjectured that all this activity is connected with an attempt on the part of the German Fleet to break through the British blockade.—Reuter.

DUTCH SHIPS HAILED.

AMSTERDAM, March 8.—The crews of steam trawlers which arrived at Ymuiden this morning confirm the Scheveningen story of the presence of a big German fleet in the North Sea.

The fleet was encountered on Monday morning in Lat. 53.35 N. Long. 4.28 E. and was then steaming in a westerly direction.

According to some reports, which, however, are probably exaggerated to some extent, the fleet comprised at least fifty units, including some big battleships.

It was escorted by a large number of armoured (? armed) steam trawlers painted grey, one or two ships of the Zeppelin type and a number of submarines.

The Dutch trawlers were hailed, but were not molested.—Central News.

COPENHAGEN, March 8.—The United Steamship Company's steamer Thyra, bound for west Norwegian ports with a general cargo, has been seized by a German warship and brought to Swinemünde.—Reuter.

"ANY BRITISH ABOUT?"

According to the newspaper Vaderland, says a Central News message, a Scheveningen fishing boat was hailed yesterday when thirty-five miles west-north-west of Ymuiden by a German battleship, which formed one of a fleet of twenty-nine German warships, composed for the most part of destroyers, small cruisers and battleships.

The skipper was asked whether he had seen any British about.

The German fleet afterwards disappeared in a north-north-easterly direction.

RUSSIAN ARMY'S MESSAGE TO FRENCH ARMY.

Success of Clever Ruse on Upper Strypa Region.

(RUSSIAN OFFICIAL.)

PETROGRAD, March 8.—To-day's communiqué says:—

Western Front.—In the Riga sector our artillery several times caused a cessation of the German works.

In the Drinsk region near Ilukst the struggle for the possession of craters continues. All the German attempts to occupy them have been repulsed.

In the Upper Strypa region we allowed a large enemy detachment to approach within fifty paces of our trenches without firing a shot, and then dispersed them by our fire.

Caucasian Front.—Yesterday we captured the town of Rizeh. In Persia we occupied the town of Sennah, fifty versts north of Kermanshab.

The Russian Army is following with the keenest attention the success of the valiant French Army.—Reuter.

TRENCHES IN CHAMPAGNE WON BACK BY FRENCH.

German Attack on Woëvre Smashed by Curtain Fire.

(FRENCH OFFICIAL.)

PARIS, March 8.—This afternoon's official communiqué says:—

In Champagne, in the region east of Maisons de Champagne, we delivered an attack which made us masters again of the elements of trenches which the enemy had captured on March 6.

During this action we took eighty-five prisoners, including three officers, and captured a machine gun.

A German counter-attack directed a little later against the positions we were holding was repulsed.

In the Argonne our artillery bombarded the roads in the region of Montfaucon, on which enemy's motor transport had been reported.

In the region north of Verdun no change is reported during the night.

The Germans continued the bombardment of our front west of the Meuse, without attempting any infantry action.

Our batteries replied energetically to the enemy's fire in this sector, as well as east of the Meuse, where the bombardment was intermittent.

In the Woëvre there was a very lively artillery struggle. We bombarded Blanzac, Grimaucourt, and the neighbourhood of Fresnes.

An attack of the enemy against the railway and Manheulles road was smashed by our curtain and our infantry fire.—Reuter.

TURKS CLAIM MASTERY OF THE AIR.

(TURKISH OFFICIAL.)

AMSTERDAM, March 8.—The following official communiqué was issued in Constantinople to-day:—

On the Irak front we repulsed all enemy attacks on our positions in the sector of Felahieh.

There was no change in the situation near Kut-el-Amara.

On the Caucasian front the fighting was less violent during the last few days.

The enemy's vessels effected a fruitless demonstrative bombardment of our coasts on the Dardanelles. Two hostile cruisers were hit.

The activity of our airmen prevented reconnoitring flights over the Dardanelles by enemy airmen, who fled as soon as they saw the approaching airmen.—Central News.

TOTAL RAID CASUALTIES. 70

WAR OFFICE, 9.50 p.m.—In addition to the casualties already announced, five persons previously reported as injured in the recent air raid have died, and further particulars of the number of persons injured are now available. The total casualties (all areas) are as follows:—

| | Killed. | Injured. |
|-----------------------|---------|----------|
| Men | 9 | 22 |
| Women | 4 | 22 |
| Children | 5 | 8 |
| Total | 18 | 52 |
| Total casualties, 70. | | |

A Zeppelin, it is believed, was hit by gunfire during Sunday night's raid.

The Exchange Telegraph Company says:—

"A broken portion of one of the propellers of a Zeppelin that visited Kent was picked up yesterday and handed over to the military authorities. The airship was winged by gunfire."

The discovery was made early yesterday by a workman proceeding to work.

He saw something of an unusual appearance protruding from the ground, and reported the matter to the proper authorities, with the result that a portion of a propeller, with three blades, was excavated.

FRENCH SUCCESS IN CROWS' WOOD.

Germans Driven Out of Greater Part of Position—Gain in Alsace.

FOE RETAKES REDOUBT.

(FRENCH OFFICIAL.)

PARIS, March 8.—To-night's official communiqué says:—

To the north of the Aisne destructive fire was carried out against the enemy works on the Craonne Plateau and in the environs of Paisy, north of Soissons.

In the Argonne we concentrated fire on the German organisations of the Haute Chevanchee and the Cheppy Wood.

West of the Meuse the enemy attempted to make fresh progress in the course of the day under cover of an intense bombardment.

An attack with great effectiveness against our Bethincourt positions was repulsed.

A counter-attack by us on the Crows' Wood, where the Germans had penetrated yesterday, drove the enemy out of the greater part of this wood, of which he now occupies only the eastern extremity.

On the right bank of the Meuse the bombardment was again characterised by great violence in the region of Douaumont, where the Germans unsuccessfully attempted to attack our lines to the east of the fort.

FIERCE GUN DUELS.

As the result of an infantry attack, the enemy succeeded in reoccupying the Hardaumont Redoubt, which we had captured yesterday.

In the Woëvre the artillery duel continued to be very severe.

Our batteries on the Meuse heights vigorously replied to the German artillery.

In Upper Alsace an attack with hand grenades enabled us to reoccupy some elements of trenches which were captured by the Germans on February 12 to the east of Seppois.

Aeroplane bombardment.—Squadrons consisting of sixteen machines dropped 124 bombs of every calibre on the station of Metz-Sablons, where there were several trains. The projectiles found their mark.

A squadron of enemy aeroplanes attempted to pursue our machines, which returned to their starting point, with the exception of one aeroplane, which was compelled to land as the result of engine trouble.—Reuter.

"3,335 PRISONERS."

(GERMAN OFFICIAL.)

BERLIN, March 8.—German Main Headquarters reports this afternoon as follows:—

Western Theatre of War.—At ten o'clock in the evening the French delivered a counter-attack against the position to the east of the farm "Maison de Champagne," which we had recaptured. On the right wing hand grenade fighting still continues. Otherwise the attack had been completely repulsed.

In order to improve upon the new lines pushed forward on the right bank of the Meuse, on the southern slopes of the Cote Talour of the Forges Ridge and the Douaumont positions, the enemy positions on the left bank of the Meuse, on both sides of the Forges brook, below Bethincourt, were stormed over a width of six kilometres (nearly four miles), and a depth of more than three kilometres (nearly two miles).

The villages of Forges and Hegneville, as well as the heights of Raben and Cuivrières Woods, are in our possession.

Counter-attacks delivered by the French against the southern boundaries of these woods were repulsed with sanguinary losses.

A great part of the occupants of the captured positions perished.

Fifty-eight officers and 3,277 men were taken prisoners. Furthermore, ten cannon and much other war material have been captured.

In the Woëvre district the enemy was driven out of the last houses of Fresnes. The number of prisoners taken there has increased to eleven officers and over 700 men.

Our aeroplane squadrons dropped bombs on the villages to the west of Verdun.

Eastern Theatre of the War.—Russian local attacks were repulsed at several points on the front. The stretch of railway between Liachowitschi (south-east of Baranowitschi) and Luniniec, where great railway traffic was observed to take place, was attacked by our airmen with good results.—Wireless Press.

CROWN PRINCE'S GUESTS.

ZURICH, March 8.—The Basler Volksblatt learns from Alsace that Admiral von Tirpitz, Count Zeppelin, and other distinguished guests have recently arrived at the Crown Prince's headquarters.—Exchange.

FISHER AT WAR COUNCIL.

By invitation of the Cabinet, Lord Fisher attended for the first time the meeting of the War Council at No. 10, Downing-street, yesterday.



A battalion of French reserves passing to the position assigned to them in the Voeges.—(French War Office photograph.)

"THE MAN WHO BOUGHT LONDON": EDGAR WALLACE'S FILM.



Crossing the road by wires to enter a house.



A scene during the fire at Kerry's stores.

FOR THE SPRING.



Full skirt with box pleat. The coatee has heavily-braided pockets, which form a new feature.



Zerberleff threatening Vera.

All the scenes and incidents in this film, which is to be presented in London shortly, were taken in the metropolis. It is adapted from Mr. Edgar Wallace's book.

MISSING SOLDIERS



Private Alec Owen, reported wounded and missing. He is the only son of a widowed mother.



Private Warsbold, who has been missing since the battle at Hill 60. He lived at Bray, Berkshire.

HAT FROM PARIS.



Paris model in nigger-brown taffeta which was designed for a well-known actress.

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'BUS DRIVERS WEAR VEILS.



This is how the London omnibus drivers avoid being blinded by the snow. They have tried many devices, but the majority now favour an ordinary woman's veil.

HOSPITAL FOUNDED BY MONKS.



A wounded Welsh Fusilier working a flag in silk for his regiment. He is in the hospital founded by the monks of St. Michael's Abbey, Farnborough.

Daily Mirror

THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 1916.

COLD FEET.

WE take copiously enough about the weather in England, but few of us take any precautions against it. We are astonished when it is warm up till Christmas, as it nearly always is; we are shocked when, after Christmas, and especially during this grim month of March, it becomes "Christmassy," in a belated and aggressive manner. Moreover, we take no trouble to protect ourselves from this malady known as March.

One is amazed to see the inadequate preparations made to affront March, fatal month, in the matter, especially, of foot-wear.

One's friends tread the miry ways, thick in penetrating slush, with just the customary boots that are as capable of keeping out wet and cold as they would be to resist bombs, if there were any here. A few affect over-shoes, but these are noted for eccentricity, for fussiness, for fads. Perhaps they once lived in the United States, to dare to exhibit these "gums," these snow-boots, over their other shoes? "They look very absurd." They indicate morbid delicacy. Does he wear snowboots? Perhaps he's a conscientious objector? He cannot have attested. You may depend he does it to get out of the Army. It is mere idleness. Or, worse, cowardice. The man is a crank.

So think the gay people with the customary boots, going down to offices, in March.

But when they get down to those offices, these people, in March, what is this uncomfortable sensation they are aware of, as it creeps up chilly from their toes?

It is the physical and moral, literal and metaphorical, sensation of cold feet.

You might say, as you talk to them at the office, over lunch, or in the street, that it's only their temper, the state of their affairs, worry over the war, or the horrors of peace. It is, in fact, "pessimism."

Perhaps; but what produces pessimism? Cold feet.

The problem of March for non-combatants—and, if possible, for others also—is the effort to keep the feet warm. Once you get cold feet, all is lost. Business is bad. The news is bad. Life is bad. Why were we born? What's the meaning of it? What, in sum, does the universe want of us? Thoughts that rise up through the physical frame into the brain from a mere material origin in cold feet.

In March, our definition of an optimist is one who keeps his feet warm. To do this, is to face Verdun, not only with good hope, but with enthusiasm, while to get one's feet cold is to view the war and everything else as though through a teasing blizzard of imaginary troubles, plunging one down, down into the sort of slush in which the brave French now fight against Kultur's latest effort to march towards world-power, or a patched-up peace.

W. M.

THE BLUE TIT.

Clad in suit of willow-green,
Blue and yellow in the spring
He will peck the buds on trees—
Twist and turn and turn and swing,
Uttering, his theta between,
Tinkling trivialities.

He will watch the humming hives,
And adroitly snap in twain
Hurrying bees as they appear.
All his aim to no avail becomes a "day
Yet unhurt he thieves and thrives
In my garden year by year."
—THOMAS HOOLEY.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

Never talk with any man, or undertake any trifling employment, merely to pass the time away; for even when spent becomes a "day of salvation," and time rightly employed is an "acceptable time." This time comes but once, and to waste it is to throw by an only opportunity for ever.—Jeremy Taylor.

OUR WATCH UPON THE COAST.

MOTOR PATROLS AND THEIR EXCELLENT WORK.

By MAX PEMBERTON.

WE are properly forbidden these days to walk upon the shore or cliff at night; and the law deals drastically with anything but the "coastwise light" of which Kipling has sung. This prohibition does not distract us.

If our houses overlook the sea we sleep comfortably in our beds, knowing that if we may not watch, we in turn are watched. The lonely figure upon the hilltop is our surety. Venture abroad upon the forbidden field, and a challenge will soon be heard in the darkness. Vain to answer "friend!" unless your purpose be authorised. This kind of man is at such times unfriendly.

Our coast "looks out," but is also looked upon. We know something about the advance

a patrol boat must make light of these trifles. The old Greek adage, "Water is the best," is writ large upon his oilskins. Adventure waits upon him at every turn. His eyes search the sea for that fateful swirl which marks the submarine, or for its pencil-like periscope thrust suddenly above the still waters. Away then he races to warn the station. Or the drifting mine may cross his bows, and the exciting pursuit of it begins, ending in the discharge of his gun and the blowing sky high of the deadly derelict. At other times the spindrift will blind him, the wind blow bitter cold, the horizon show nothing but its scudding clouds. Then he sings of "Home, Sweet Home," and tries to light his pipe. The landsman can do it at any time.

"LIGHTS OUT!"

I was asleep at the watching hour some week or two ago, when I heard a terrible do at the house next door. This is "somewhere in England," and looks upon the blue waters. Far out a mighty lantern made vast lakes of golden light upon a still sea. It was bitter cold, and

MR. TIMKINS' PROBLEMS IN ECONOMY.



He decides to buy goloshes just as the inevitable thaw arrives.—(By Mr. W. K. Haseldén.)

WINTER AND WAR.

MARCH PROBLEMS FOR HEALTH AT HOME AND ABROAD.

NO SALT.

I OBSERVE that the municipal authorities are using salt partially to clean away the snow.

It is not a good thing for the purpose and long ago was abandoned in cities where the snow problem is one of months and not of days. Salt softens and cracks the hoofs of horses, creating painful sores, and is not good for motor tyres.

RUSSIAN.

THE "WITH-NOthing-ON" FEELING.

"W. M." in his amusing article about what I may call the "Nothing-on feeling," touches very closely upon one of the most important factors in military life.

He admits that with nothing on "one submits all the more readily to discipline." The same is the case with khaki on. The mere fact of being indistinguishable from one's companions as far as one's dress is concerned is a great help in inculcating discipline: it makes one feel so much less important, in fact, devoid of any individuality.

But it has its compensations; it engenders a feeling of freedom from responsibility. Until the civilian turns soldier he seldom realises exactly how great a slave to cloth he has been, and how delightful it is to be freed from that slavery.

GAUCER 5.

OUR LENTEN FASTS.

THERE is much physical as well as spiritual benefit to be obtained from fasting during the Lenten season. May I suggest that your readers seize the opportunity from today to disciplining both mind and body during the ensuing weeks, and for the latter discipline take the advice of their medical men? The result will be wholly beneficial at the conclusion of the fast.

PHYSICIAN.

SELF-DENIAL.

TOO many people seem to make a so-called virtue of necessity in their Lenten self-denials. I have heard people say in past years, "Lent saved me fully a couple of pounds a week." That saving has been used subsequently for some unexpected extravagance. Surely if we save any money by our fasting, that money should be given to some good cause. Such causes are not hard to find in these terrible days.

M. L. G.

IN MY GARDEN.

MARCH 8.—In these days of economy our garden beds should be filled with hardy perennials and seeds instead of bedding plants. Most perennials give little trouble and can be readily increased every year or so, while a rose-tree that costs about ninepence will give pleasure for quite ten years.

The dwarf polyantha roses, with their large clusters of flowers, bloom from June until November and are very useful for massing in beds. Orleans, Rose, Jessie, Yvonne Rabier and Perle d'Or are four pretty varieties.

E. F. T.

guards over there beyond our horizon—our lines of defence we believe to be impregnable. Nearer still to the shore, within a biscuit toss of it, so to speak, are the patrols of which I write: the motor-boats large and small; the good fellows who are all awake while you and I are dreaming of an income tax of fourpence and of a collector who forgot to call for it.

A man who has never been to sea in a motor-boat has missed one of life's joys. I recall an occasion before the war when an enthusiast took me out from Lowestoft to try a 300-h.p. engine in a hull several sizes too small for it. A North Sea "twist" was on, and our oilskins soon cried "enough." The boat went through rather than over the water, and the cloud of spray was like the beautiful fountains at the Trocadero. Presently the engine stopped, and it fell to me to crawl under the hood in an attempt to restart it. Inexorably tied up there, I heard a voice from the stern cry: "She'll be under in five minutes!" She nearly was, as it turned out. But I liked the prophet the less for all his cheerfulness. A man at sea in

the night as black as ink. Down in the garden of my neighbour's house stood two naval officers, by no means well pleased with the purport of their visit. "You've got a light burning!" they roared. Something in a dressing-gown replied in a startled voice: "Good Lord! Where?" "We say it five miles out at sea," the officer ran on. The startled voice rejoined that the owner thereof was a "damned fool." I went into my dressing-room to put out the gas fire," said he, "and must have jerked the light on." "Then jerk it off!" roared the seaman—and away the pair of them went back to the forbidden beach and the little boat soon rolling across the swell out to yon far point by which the ships of England go.

Meanwhile the startled voice had yet another opinion of its owner to express. "I am the biggest fool in England," it said; "I never asked them to come in and have a drink." Sometimes the shore patrol hears a gun at sea, and that may be a significant sound enough. Listening off the Kentish coast to the artillery in Flanders is no gay occupation for a man with

any imagination. Every roll of the distant thunder may mean that some brave fellow has laid down his life for king and country. The rolling sounds conjure up visions of desolate fields, stripped trees and ruined villages. The sea is happier in that it shows little of the aftermath of war. The patrol boat may or may not see a shot fired in anger; but it may lose off a gun itself in a genial way when a "tramp" is taking the wrong turning and making for a channel which is forbidden. I saw a great bulk of an ocean steamer stopped some while back by a bit of a motor-boat; and, what was more, a destroyer came up presently and "walked off" with it in safe custody. Meanwhile the patrol went off blithely to his post, a distant sandbank where, about an hour afterwards, a tremendous spout of water indicated that a mine had been exploded.

Ay, they fair do frighten 'ee to see 'em," said an old herring-boat man by my side. He, however, did not appear in any way alarmed. On the contrary, he made it apparent that he was thirsty.

THE FRENCH SOLDIER'S HELMET NOW HAS A COVER.

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Alpinists in action on a hilltop in the Vosges, showing the new covers for the shrapnel-proof helmets.—(French War Office photograph.)

MISSING BOY

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Sidney Davis, aged five, of Hampton, who is missing. His mother, a widow, is most anxious for news of him. He is very intelligent.

MISS GERTIE MIL

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A new photograph of the well-known jack for the toy song in "Bric-a-Brac" to the Palace.

KING FERDINAND ARRIVES.

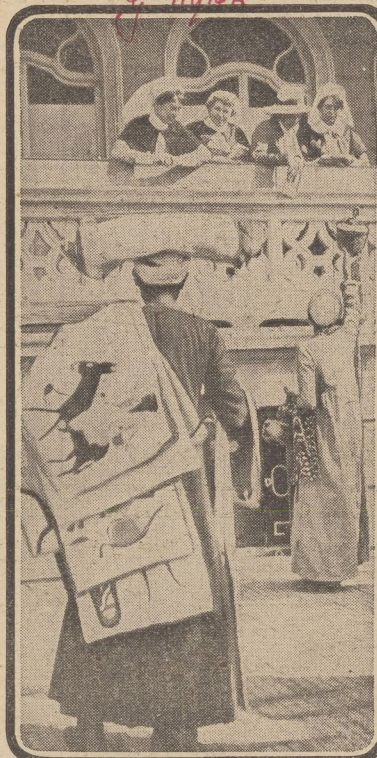
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He is seen at the Austrian headquarters. The old man behind has a Tirpitz beard in a modified form.

"WON'T THIS TEMPT YOU?"

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Native hawkers trying to tempt the nurses at the Semiramis Hotel, Cairo, with trinkets, curios and fancy goods.

PRINCE BORIS.

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King Ferdinand's heir, who is to wed a Hapsburg princess.

WORKED ON THE BATTLEFIELD.

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Dr. May Dickinson Berry (seated) with Sisters Amet (left) and Brock, who have just arrived in London after an adventurous and exciting journey across enemy countries. They are all wearing the Serbian Military Cross, awarded them for work on the Balkan battlefield.

STRANGE EFFECT OF SHELL FIRE.

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Part of the winding staircase at Arras was left standing desolately amid ruins.—(French War Office photograph.)

SIGNED AWAY

CARING FOR THE LITTLE EXILES FROM SERBIA.



The six-year-old boy who, it was stated at Marylebone yesterday, was signed away by his mother. She asked if she could have him back.



Many of them have no father.



The youngest children at dinner.

AR AND A CHUM.



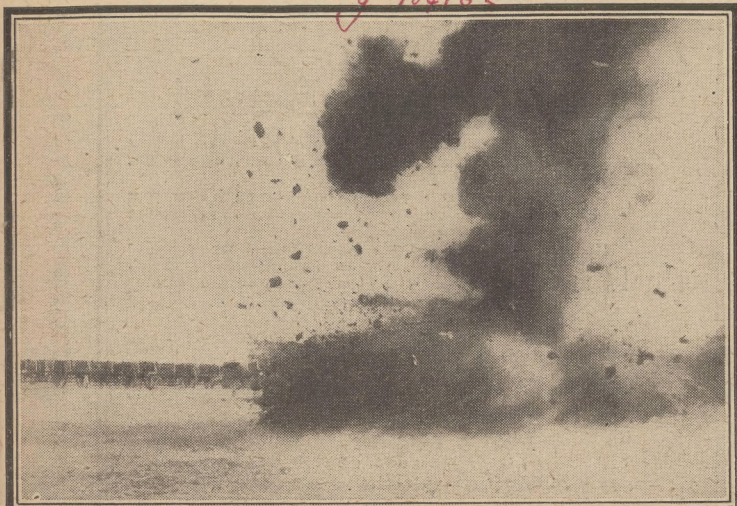
actress. She is dressed as a jumping whic his still drawing crowded houses (Rita Martin.)



During playtime the little ones amuse themselves on the seashore, while their guardian sees that they come to no harm.

A number of Serbian children are being housed and educated in a hostel on the coast of France. They were rescued from the clutches of the Hun, and when they grow up they will realise how lucky they were to be taken to France.

STRIKING PHOTOGRAPH OF A BOMB EXPLOSION.



The bursting of a bomb dropped from an enemy aircraft. A man with a camera happened to be within range, thus securing what is probably a unique photograph.—(Underwood and Underwood.)

PERFORMING TRICKS ON A MOTOR-CYCLE.



This War Office expert, who is testing a new motor-cycle for the Army, performed several clever tricks before an admiring audience.

Economise

What Is real Economy?

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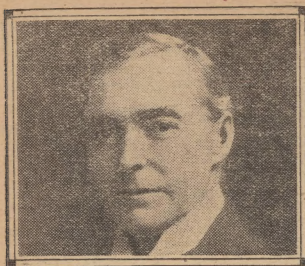
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Mr. H. W. Forster, M.P.

War Office Finance.

Although there are two representatives of the War Office in the House of Commons, most people are familiar with the name of one only, probably because it falls to his lot to answer the general conundrums that are put to the War Office. Mr. H. J. Tennant, the Under-Secretary, has a colleague in Mr. H. W. Forster, the Financial Secretary to the War Office.

Playing the Game.

Mr. Forster has held a very safe seat at Sevenoaks since 1892. I wonder how much influence his cricketer record had towards getting him votes. He played in turn for Eton, Oxford and the Gentlemen. His wife's brother, Lord Montagu of Beaulieu, will be to the fore in the Lords this week on an aeronautical question.

Balfour-Churchill Duel.

I do not think I have ever known Mr. Balfour in finer form than he was in the House of Commons last night, nor do I think I have ever seen Colonel Churchill look more uncomfortable than he did under the dainty railleury of the First Lord. It must, however, be mentioned that Mr. Balfour came down to the House carefully prepared, while the younger man's reply was "thought out" on the spot.

The Colonel—

Colonel Churchill again sat on the Front Opposition bench, this time in the corner where dear old Colonel Lockwood so frequently reposes. But Colonel Churchill stepped up to the box to fire off his seven minutes' speech, and then had a few minutes' chat with Mr. George Lambert, the ex-Civil Lord. How pleased Mr. Balfour and Mr. McKenna looked when it was all over!

—And His Supporters.

The cheers which greeted Colonel Churchill's rising seemed to come almost exclusively from the Liberals below the Ministerial gangway. His most demonstrative supporter was Sir Arthur Markham, but Sir Henry Dalziel, Mr. Handel Booth and Mr. Hogge seemed, I thought, to be in equal sympathy with his views.

Lord Fisher.

Almost everybody's eyes roved up to the peers' gallery in expectation of seeing Lord Fisher, the subject of the controversy, in his accustomed seat over the clock. But the great sailor was not there. How he would have enjoyed the "liveliness" which marked last night's debate! Yet all through the duel Mr. Balfour spoke of Colonel Churchill, and Colonel Churchill of Mr. Balfour as "my right hon. friend"!

Anxious Times.

Miss Violet Vanbrugh, after she finishes playing at the Coliseum, is going to her home county for rest, she tells me. She is having an anxious time. One brother, Brigadier-General Barnes, is at the front, another is a lieutenant in the Hampshire, and she has innumerable cousins fighting.

Tailor-Made Economy.

I was having my pancake at the Piccadilly Hotel when I saw Mlle. Gina Palerme. We were talking about the need for economy, and she said for the future she would only order tailor-mades for day wear, which she assures me is real thrift. Mlle. Palerme argues you do not get nearly so tired of a tailor-made as of a frock, and that the tailored thing wears longest, all of which is beyond me.

Lord Beresford and Ben Tillett.

Lord Beresford—how strange it seems not to call him Lord Charles!—will be one of the speakers with Adeline-Duchess of Bedford, Lady Betty Balfour and Mr. Ben Tillett at a meeting to discuss the Star and Garter Hospital building scheme, for which Mr. Butt has lent the Palace, on Friday, the 24th inst.

TO-DAY'S GOSSIP

The King and His Pipe.

I have heard people wondering whether the King will set an example in economy by giving up expensive cigars in favour of a pipe, but there need be no anxiety as to any extravagance in smoking on the part of King George. He much prefers a short briar pipe to any other smoke. Among his treasures is a shabby little briar, burnt almost half-way down the bowl, which was his cherished companion as a "middy."

Good Luck!

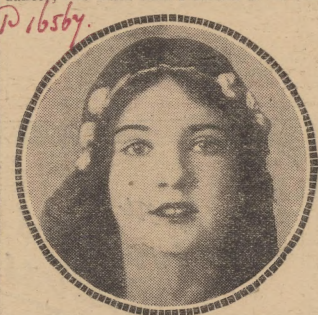
Quite a number of well-known young men have been called up this last day or two. Mr. James Stanners, the actor, who was in the "Taming of the Shrew" about a week ago, is now in an Army hut—somewhere in the country; Mr. James Dowd, the cartoonist whose work in *Punch* has caused many a chortle of delight, has just donned khaki—he has been in the Artists' Rifles with Sir Owen Seaman and other celebrities—and now Mr. Donald Calthorp is going to disappear from Daly's and our ken for a little time to come. Well, good luck to them!

As Others See Us.

The film has given us the power to see ourselves as others see us. Sir George and Lady Alexander, and the entire St. James's company were at the West End Cinema to see themselves in "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray." The balcony seemed to be given up to the theatrical profession. I saw Sir Squine Bancroft, Miss Ellen Terry, Miss Lilian Braithwaite, Mr. Gerald du Maurier and Miss Lee White.

"Come Soon—June."

I think we shall soon hear something very interesting about Little June, the clever child dancer, who made such a success at the Em-



Little June.

pire Theatre. She is expected to appear in a big West End production. Her name sounds delightfully summery just now.

Attested Twins.

Two little men—same height, same build, same dress, same characteristics exactly—approached me yesterday near the Garrick Club. Both wore armlets. I looked more carefully. They were the Terry twins, inseparable in variety and pantomime, and ready to join the Bantams together.

Her View of It.

I was told recently of a young officer, the only son of a wealthy widow, who had got into an undesirable net and was losing heavily every night at "chemin de fer." Friends went to the mother and begged her to use her influence to stop it in the boy's interest. "Poor, dear Algy," she placidly remarked. "Why should I interfere with his little pleasures, especially when I dare say they keep him out of mischief?"

Budding Economists.

London elementary school teachers are to have a new task entrusted them. They are to instruct their pupils in the need for economy and how this will help us to win the war. Each child will be warned not to throw away old clothes, bottles or paper; to be economical in the use of pencils.

Lack of Tact.

A colleague of mine was frightfully annoyed yesterday. It was his birthday, and the number of presents he received required no pan-technicon for their delivery. Still he did get a "birthday book," a sort of diary with quotations. He turned up March 8, and was very cross when he saw that the quotation was from Macbeth: "God forgive us all."

"Kerry Bred and Born."

One of Lord Kitchener's closest friends has been telling me how very sensitive he is about his nationality. Unemotional as he is in most things, he was once stirred to almost romantic anger. It was at a Pall Mall club, when some man not knowing Kitchener was in the room turned to a friend and, referring to something the great general had done, said: "By Jove, England ought to be proud of that man—none of your Irishmen!" "On the contrary, Kerry bred and born," was the sharp and unexpected retort.

The Rev. William Cecil.

I met the Rev. William Cecil down at Hatfield the other day. He was on his bicycle, of course, which he never forsakes in his parish rounds, which cover a large area, as shown by the fact that he runs four curates. I hear he never avails himself of his brother's (the Marquis) cars. Lord William is not an elegant rider, and his action on the bicycle is decidedly laboured. He is fond of a slouch hat, a cape that flutters in the breeze, and has the proverbial Cecil indifference to clothes.

Like His Father.

Lord William is getting more and more like his father, the late Lord Salisbury. His stoop is getting more pronounced, and his hair is rapidly thinning, but his fine leonine head and tall figure are strongly reminiscent of his famous father.

Not Surplus.

This story of a Free Church colleague at the front is told by a well-known chaplain. He was about to conduct the service, when the Colonel said to him: "Do you not wear a surplice?" "Surplus," said the good man: "no, I am a Baptist. All I know about is a deficit."

The Most Beautiful Roman Woman.

I hear that the winner of the contest to determine the most beautiful woman in Rome, Signorina Ceccani, is at the Italian front as a nurse.



Miss Dorothy Minto

A Mint o' Talent.

This is a new portrait of clever Miss Dorothy Minto, whose favourite pastime for the moment seems to be spowballing in the London parks. Miss Minto is at present playing in "More" at the Ambassadors, where she hopes to have a good part in the new revue. But "More" won't want a successor for a long time.

"The Idler."

I've news from over the water—America—that Mr. Haddon Chambers's play, "The Idler," is to be revived, and both Miss Marie Tempest and Miss Phyllis Neilson Terry will be found in the cast. It does not sound exactly like economy, does it? Two leading ladies in one play!

What Is He?

When I see a young man in mufti to-day I can amuse myself by debating as to what he is. He may be starved or badged, or rejected as unfit, or married, or indispensable, or awaiting his call, or an armlet-wearer who is not wearing his armlet, or home on sick leave, or finally over forty-one and doesn't look it.

Women Recruits.

A friend of mine who is connected with the movement tells me that the recruiting of women for farm work is going quite satisfactorily, although, of course, a lot of unsuitable women quite ignorant of rural conditions are among those who volunteer.

THE RAMBLER.

Sound Sleep



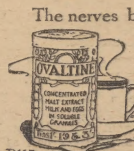
To avoid sleeplessness choose for your last meal at night a food which will provide the maximum of nourishment in the most easily digested form. The ideal "nightcap" is

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Sleeplessness is due either to digestive unrest following a heavy supper or no supper at all, or to nervous exhaustion as the result of worry, overwork or anxiety.

A cup of Ovaltine taken just before retiring will prevent digestive unrest, at the same time supplying to the nerves and brain an ample supply of restorative material to repair the worn cells.



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The nerves being soothed and restored, sound, healthy sleep will follow, and you will wake feeling refreshed and thoroughly rested.

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| Wingfulful Meat and Malt Wine | 2078 |
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HEALTH DURING LENT

Period of Fasting Has Undeniable Hygienic Value.

VICAR'S SIMPLE RULES.

Is fasting injurious to the health? The question is raised by the advent of Lent.

It is true that the motives which led the Church to prescribe a period of rigid abstinence for her children were purely religious. Lent, to the devout Catholic or Churchman, is a period of penitence.

But there are many who disregard religious observances and who yet feel the necessity for some such period of comparative rigour.

"A Lent well spent brings a year of content," said a well-known doctor to *The Daily Mirror*. "Whatever the religious value of the season may be, there is no denying its hygienic usefulness."

"Most of us are apt to eat too much, and particularly those of us who lead sedentary lives. Lent, if it is properly observed, affords a period of rest and repair to the digestive organs."

"Less meat is eaten, and the substitutes for meat—such as fish, fruit or cereals—are far more easily assimilated."

Asked by *The Daily Mirror* for some rules of Lenten observance, a London vicar said:—

"Make up your mind to do without some definite thing, and stick to your resolution."

"Exercise with care in the matter of food and drink. See that no meal exceeds two courses."

"The mental and spiritual discipline thus undergone will help to build up your character, both as an Englishman and as a Churchman."

NO RACING THIS WEEK.

There will be no racing at Windsor this week. This decision was come to yesterday morning after another fall of snow during the night, and application was at once made to the National Hunt Stewards for permission to postpone the meeting to Friday and Saturday of next week.

Coleridge Park has a two-day fixture on Tuesday and Wednesday, and as the Windsor card includes substitutes for the important Manchester events there is every likelihood of the postponement being sanctioned. The official decision will be made known to-day.

DYSPEPTICS SHOULD AVOID DRUGS AND MEDICINES.

Try a Little Magnesia Instead.

Some people instinctively shut their eyes to danger, and it may be that instinct, or custom, or habit causes dyspeptics to take drugs, patent foods and medicines, artificial digestants, etc. But closing their eyes does not banish the danger, and it is certain that neither drugs nor medicines possess the power to destroy the acid in the stomach, which is the underlying cause of most forms of indigestion and dyspepsia. They may give temporary relief, but ever-increasing quantities must be taken, and all the time the acid remains as dangerous as ever. Physicians know this, and that is why the usual advice now given to sufferers from digestive and stomach trouble is, "Just get some pure bisaturated magnesia from your chemist and take half a teaspoonful in a little water immediately after every meal. This will instantly neutralise the acid and stop all food fermentation, thus enabling you to enjoy hearty meals without experiencing the least pain or unpleasantness afterwards."

IMPORTANT.—Bisaturated Magnesia is now obtainable of all chemists at the following prices:

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APOLLO.—OSCAR ASHKE and LILY BRAYTON in **THE TAMING OF THE SHREW.** To-night, at 8.15.
Last 3 Nights. Last Mat., Sat., at 2.30.
COMEDY THEATRE.—Sole Lessee and Manager, Arthur Caudwell. **SECOND EDITION.** **SHELL** (Act 1) by Albert de Courville. **First Night.** Every Evening, at 8.45.
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CRITERION.—**INTERVIEW.** To-day and Sat. Mats., Weds., Thurs., Sat., 2.30.
DAILY.—The George Edwards Production. **BETTY.** To-day, 2 and 4. **Mats. Weds., Thurs., Sat., 2.**
Winifred Barnes, Gabrielle Ray, C. M. Loren, Lauri de Frece, Donald Calhoun, and G. J. HUNLEY.
DRURY LANE.—**PUSS IN BOOTS.** To-day and Sat., 2.30.
George Graves, Will Evans, Florence Smithson.
(Last Week.) Smoking permitted at evening performances.
DUKE OF YORK.—**TO-DAY.** To-day and Sat., at 8.45.
JERRY.—A New Musical. **At 8.30.** **Mats. Thurs. and Sat., at 2.30.**
YVONNE ARNAUD. **CHARLES WINDERMERE.** **CAIETY.** Evenings, 8.30. **Mats. Sat., 2.30.** **TO-NIGHT'S** **THE NIGHT.** **ALDO AND MISS MARY.** **TIGER'S CUB.** **GARRICK.** **BASIL GILL** and **MARGE TIERNADGE.** **WEDS., Thurs., Fri. Sat., 2.30.** **EGGS, Weds., Thurs., Sat., 8.30.** **GLOBE.**—Daily, 2.30. **EGGS, Weds., Fri. Sat., 8.15.** **MIS MOP.** **A. K. BERNIE.** **THE FLY.** **WHO IS HE?** **HENRY ARNOLD.** **THURS., Thurs., Sat., 2.30.** **HIS MAJESTY.** Evenings, at 8 (for a limited number of performances). **THE ARMY.** **THE LAW.** Preceded by musical Comedy. **JOHNSTON.** **ARTHUR BOUTCHER.** In **Both Plays.** **Mats. Weds. Sat., at 2.15.**
LYRIC.—**THE KING OF THE KINGS.** **IN ROMANCE.** Evenings, 8.15. **Mats. Wed. and Sat., at 2.30.**
NEW. To-day, at 2.30 and 8.30. **CAROLINE.** by W. Somerset Maugham. Miss Irene Vanbrugh and Mr. Dion Boucicault. **Miss Lily M. McCarthy** and **Leonard Horne.** **Mats. Weds., Thurs. Sat., at 2.30.**
PLAYHOUSE. **CLAY.** **HAWKES** and **GLADY COOPER.** **Mats. Weds. Sat., at 2.40.**
PRINCE OF WALES. **Prizes, 5s. to 6d.** Every Eve., at 8. **Mats. Weds. Thurs. and Sat., at 2.30.** **Alfred Pannier** and **Annie Baker.** in **THE SILVER CHICLET.**
QUEEN'S. At 2.30 and 4.30. **"THE LOVE THIEF."** A Canadian Play, in 3 Acts. **Mats. Thurs., Sat., 2.30.**

20-STONE GIANT'S ROLE.

Collapsible Chair Comedy and a Dwarf's Lifting Feat.

A giant and a dwarf figured in a case yesterday before Mr. Justice Darling.

Mr. Arthur Carlton Phillips, known on the music-hall stage as Carlton, of New Malden, sued the National Benefit, Life and Property Assurance Company, Ltd., claiming £1,000 as assignee of a policy of insurance on the life of a man named Theodore Hausmann, who died in July, 1914. Hausmann was employed by Carlton, and effected an insurance with the defendants for £1,000, which he assigned to the plaintiff.

The plaintiff's case was that Hausmann died at Borsbeck, Germany, and the defendants said they were not satisfied with the proofs of his death.

Mr. Marshall Hall, K.C., for the plaintiff, said Hausmann was a very stout man, weighing well over 20 stone, standing 6ft. 8in., and measuring 5ft. round the chest.

This giant was one of the troupe that Carlton took about the country. Carlton was a conjurer, and he invited people from the audience to the stage. First of all would come a contortionist in his employ, who apparently would be mesmerised.

A second invitation would be accepted by a giant (also in the auditorium), who proceeded to sit on a collapsible chair.

A rough-and-tumble ensued, and when Carlton called for help, on walked a man 3ft. high—the dwarf of his troupe.

"By magic" the dwarf lifted the giant from the stage, and there was "loud laughter."

One night Hausmann became ill. He was taken to the German Hospital in London, but recovered sufficiently to enable him to return to Germany. There he died.

At this stage Mr. Marshall Hall announced that the action had been disposed of by the insurance company meeting the plaintiff in a generous spirit and agreeing to pay him a certain sum of money.

NEWS ITEMS.

Operation on Lord Curzon.

Lord Curzon, who is suffering from a broken elbow, was operated upon by Sir Alfred Fripp yesterday and will be laid up for some time.

The Court in Mourning.

By the King's command the Court will wear mourning for one week from yesterday for the late Queen Dowager of Rumania, Carmen Sylva.

Lieutenant Codere Deprived of Rank.

Lieutenant Georges Codere, of the 41st Canadian Infantry, ceases to hold his temporary commission in the Army, says last night's *Gazette*.

Mowwe Chief's Medal.

Commander the Burggrave and Count von und zu Dohna-Schlodien, the commander of the Mowwe, says Reuters, has been personally decorated by the Kaiser with the order "Pour le Mérite."

Beware of Cigarette Pictures.

The Portsmouth magistrates yesterday fined three tobaccoists £1 each for selling cigarette packets containing miniature photographs of naval vessels, in contravention of the Defence of the Realm Regulations.

TO-DAY'S BOXING CONTESTS.

Jimmy Wilde makes his first appearance in London to-night, since winning the Lonsdale belt, when he meets Sam Kelly in a fifteen rounds contest at the West London Stadium.

At the Ring this afternoon Tom Tees, the ex-lightweight amateur champion, will contest fifteen rounds with George Zimmer (Harris Regiment), Harry Williams (Maypole) meets Fred Rye (Somerset Town) in ten rounds, and Seaman Williams (Chatham) opposes George Clements (Maidenhead).

ROYALTY. Every Day, at 2.30, and **WEDS., THURS. and SATS., at HALF-PAST FIVE.**
ST. JAMES'S. **THE BAKER.** A New Comedy, by Clifford Mills. **TO-DAY and DAILY.** at 2.30.
Evening Performance, Sat., only, 8.15.
GEORGE ALEXANDER and GENEVIEVE WARD.
SCALA.—Daily, 2.30 and 7.30. **THE WORLD AT WAR.** **GAFF** Ensembles on Eastern and Western Fronts. With the Russians. Zeppelin in Flight. Destruction of Zeppelin at Valenciennes. **At 8.15.** **THE NEW YORK GAY.**
SHAFESBURY. **"MY LADY FRAYLE."** Robert Courtenay's Production. A New Musical Play. **TO-NIGHT.** and Every Evening, at 8.15.
MATINEES. Every Wednesday and Saturday at 2.15.
STRAND. **AT 5 Performances of "THE MIGHTY OF VENICE."** To-day and Sat. Mats., at 2.30. To-night, **Mon. and Tues., at 8.15.**
VAUDEVILLE. **G. Grattan's Revue, "SAMPLES!"** Evenings, at 8.30. **MATS.** Weds., Thurs., Sat., 2.30.
ALHAMBRA. **AUGUSTUS YORKE and ROBERT LEONARD.** **ODETTE MYTHIL.** **MANNY and ROBERTS.** **HEATRICE LIGHT.** and the **Alhambra's** **THE QUANTS.** Imperial Russian Dancers in **ALEKO.** Doors, at 8.15. **Mats. Wed. and Sat., at 2.30.**
HIPPODROME. **Twice Daily, 2.30, 8.30 p.m.** New Revue. **"JOY-LAND!"** **SHIRLEY KELLGOLD.** **HARRY TATE.** **YVONNE ARNAUD.** **RIGHTMAN WARD.** **CHARLES BERKELEY.** and **Super-Beauty Chorus.** **MARTIE MILLAR.** **ARTHUR PLAYFAIR.** **GWENDOLINE BRODIE.** **NELSON KEYS.** **FREDDIE GORDON.** **A. SIMON.** **LAURENCE.** **UNA FAIRBANK.** Varieties, at 8. **MAT. WED. and SAT., at 2.15.**
THE PASSING SHOW featuring **ALICE RITFORD.** **FRED DUPREZ.** **CHRISTINE ROY.** Varieties by **LILY LENA.** **ERNEST HASTINGS.** **5 BOMBAS.**
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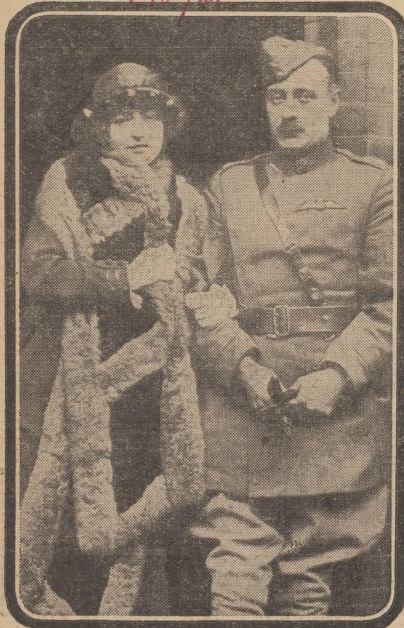
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A GAIETY BRIDE.



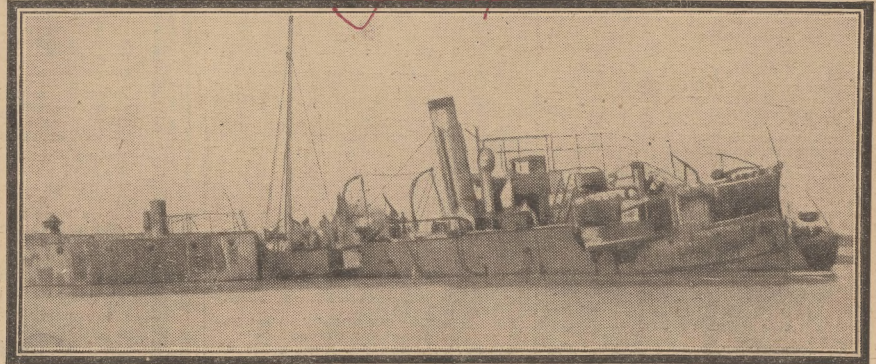
Lieutenant Montague Morgan, R.F.C., and his bride, Miss Patsy Green, who plays in "To-night's the Night" at the Gaiety.—(Birkett.)

BUILT OF HOLLOW REEDS.

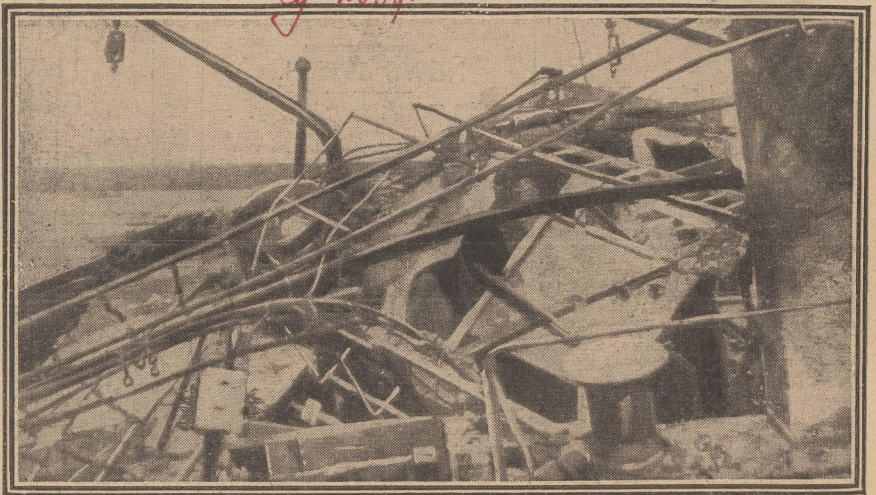


This is the primitive type of boat used by the natives of Persia and Mesopotamia.

TURKISH GUNBOAT SUNK BY THE BRITISH.



The wrecked vessel, which was battered to ruins by the shells.



The fo'c'sle, showing the damage done by our gunners.

These photographs illustrate a British naval success, and show the Turkish gunboat Marmaris, which was sunk by H.M.S. Espiegle after being captured.

THEY GAVE UP THEIR HOLIDAY.



These Acton schoolchildren gave up their holiday yesterday in order to sweep away the snow. No other labour was available, and their action was much appreciated.

"DO OR DIE."



Mr. William Hughes, the Australian Premier, and his wife, who are now in London. It is "Do or die" with the Australian people, he said in an interview.

"IMITATED BY HARRY FRAGSON."



Private Dawson, R.M.L.I., on the coloured poster executed by Commander Millot, a French naval attaché, to commemorate a variety show on board H.M.S. Nelson.